MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION AND CAREER PREPARATION

Tuesday, April 19, 2005

4:27 P.M.

Room 326, House Office Building

Chairman Wenke called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Reps. Wenke, Emmons, Palmer, Ward, Byrnes, Lipsey, Kehrl. (7/7) **MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED**: None. (0/7)

Representative Palmer moved to approve the minutes of the April 12, 2005 meeting. **Representative Lipsey** supported the motion. Without objections, the minutes were approved.

Chairman Wenke laid HB 4591 before the committee.

HB 4591 Palmer

Law enforcement; colleges and universities; certain campus security forces certified as law enforcement officers; provide for.

Representative Brian Palmer, sponsor of the legislation, testified before the committee.

Gerard Stockhausen, representing the University of Detroit Mercy, testified before the committee in support of **HB 4591**.

Ed Blews, representing the Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, testified before the committee in support of **HB 4591**.

John Buczek, representing the Fraternal Order of Police and the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards, testified before the committee in opposition to **HB 4591**.

Ray Beech, representing the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards, testified before the committee in opposition to **HB 4591**.

Letitia Williams, representing the University of Detroit Mercy, testified before the committee in support of **HB 4591**.

Phil Hoffman, representing the Michigan Sheriffs Association, turned in a testimony card in opposition to **HB 4591** but did not wish to speak.

James Devries, representing the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards, turned in a testimony card in opposition to **HB 4591** but did not wish to speak.

Ervin Portis, representing the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police, turned in a testimony card in opposition to **HB 4591** but did not wish to speak.

Senator Buzz Thomas turned in a testimony card in support of **HB 4591** but did not wish to speak.

Gary Goss, representing the Michigan Sheriffs Association, turned in a testimony card in opposition to **HB 4591** but did not wish to speak.

Representative Lipsey moved to report **HB 4591** with recommendation that it be referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Representative Lipsey withdrew the motion.

John C. Austin, from the Center for Higher and Postsecondary Education at the University of Michigan, gave a presentation to the committee.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the Chair declared the meeting adjourned, the time being **6:02 p.m.**

Representative Lorence Wenke, Chair

Eric Esch, Committee Clerk (517) 373-0070